

Inter-State Placements

A CHILD, ELIGIBLE FOR ADOPTION SUBSIDY FEDERAL MEDICAID, IS ALSO ELIGIBLE FOR MEDICAID THROUGH THE STATE OF RESIDENCE.

A CHILD, INCLUDED IN AN ADOPTION SUBSIDY AGREEMENT AND ELIGIBLE FOR FEDERAL MEDICAID ADOPTION ASSISTANCE, ENTERING MISSOURI FROM ANOTHER STATE IS ELIGIBLE ONLY FOR MEDICAID AND TITLE XX SERVICES. (TITLE XX SERVICES IN MISSOURI INCLUDE ONLY THOSE PROVIDED BY DIVISION STAFF; SERVICES NOT INCLUDED IN TITLE XX ARE THOSE FOR WHICH PAYMENT MUST BE MADE.) THE STATE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ADOPTION SUBSIDY AGREEMENT RETAINS RESPONSIBILITY FOR ALL OTHER SERVICE PAYMENTS.

A. General:

1. A Missouri Adoption Subsidy Agreement can be made with a family living in another state who is accepting the placement of a child from Missouri. If the child is eligible for adoption subsidy Federal Medicaid (Fund codes "04" or "05") in Missouri, the child will be eligible for the new residence state's Medicaid program.

<p>NOTE: A child moving from one state to another may not be eligible for the sending state's adoption subsidy program. However, the child may meet the eligibility requirements for nonrecurring adoption expenses only in the receiving state if the court in that state assumes jurisdiction. (See Attachment D for guidance, if application/inquiry is made for payment of nonrecurring expenses only.)</p>

2. The Missouri child who meets program eligibility requirements is eligible for all services which can be assessed in an adoption or legal guardianship subsidy agreement. This includes nonrecurring adoption or legal guardianship expenses.
3. Adoption and Legal Guardianship Subsidy Agreements continue if a family moves from Missouri while the agreement is active and need continues. Missouri continues to be responsible for other services (excepting those covered under Medicaid in the new state of residence) for the IV-E eligible child and all services for adoption subsidy-HDN eligible children.
4. A child coming from another state upon arrival in Missouri and who is eligible for adoption assistance through the other state is eligible for Missouri Medicaid. The original state of residence which determined the eligibility of the child continues to be responsible for any maintenance or other special expense payments consistent with the terms of the adoption subsidy agreement that state has with the adoptive parent(s).

5. If the child is eligible for the other state's "state only" (HDN) program, the child is not eligible for payment for any services from Missouri.

B. Planning for medical/dental care when a Missouri child is placed in or moves to another state.

NOTE: Missouri children who have a fund code of "04" or "05" are eligible for Federal Medicaid, and should be referred for Medicaid services in their receiving state through the ICAMA Coordinator in Central Office.
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1. For any services not covered under Missouri Medicaid, or services not included in the Medicaid plan authorized in other states (including ICAMA states), authorization for services and payment must use the prior authorization mechanism in the adoption or legal guardianship subsidy agreement process.
2. For children who are being placed with a family living in another state, a copy of the completed Adoption/Legal Guardianship Subsidy Agreement is submitted to the ICAMA coordinator in central office, along with the ICAMA forms (ICAMA-601). The ICPC forms are to be sent separately to the ICPC coordinator in central office.
3. For adoptive or kinship parent(s) who already have an Adoption or Legal Guardianship Subsidy Agreement with Missouri and are moving to another state, review the CS-SA-1/CS-LG-1 and 2 to determine if any portion of the adoption or guardianship subsidy plan and/or agreement need to be renegotiated. If the subsidy agreement requires changes, renegotiate the CS-SA-2 ATT/CS-LG-2 ATT and obtain the necessary approval before submitting the forms to the ICAMA or ICPC coordinator.
4. For adoptions already "finalized", complete forms ICAMA-601, and submit to ICAMA coordinator.
5. Update the SS-60 and SS-61 when an eligible child is placed with adoptive parent(s) in another state or the adoptive parent(s) moves to another state.
6. Close Title XIX in ACTS immediately once the date it is confirmed that the child is covered under the new state's Title XIX program.

C. Planning for medical/dental care services for a child FROM another state who is placed with a Missouri family or moves to Missouri from another state.

1. Any child who is eligible for adoption assistance in the other state, regardless of whether they are coming from an ICAMA state or not, is eligible for Missouri Medicaid.

2. For services needed by the child which are not covered under Missouri Medicaid, special arrangements for payment must be made with the state responsible for the Adoption Subsidy Agreement. Staff should provide assistance when needed.
- D. All other program requirements for a Missouri child must be met with the following exceptions:
1. Division contracts for any special services may or may not be required. However, prior authorization must be included in the agreement. Payment will be made to the adoptive or kinship parent(s) after an invoice or "paid" receipt is submitted.
 2. When reviewing agreements and determining that an agreement should be renegotiated, sufficient lead time should be planned so that the agreements, if they must be renegotiated, can be made effective July 1 of each year.
- E. In situations in which a child is placed with a family located out of state, the case manager county (i.e., county of court jurisdiction) will be responsible for maintenance of the agreement and processing all authorizations for payment for services included in the agreement. In the case of a second child from Missouri being placed with the same family located out of state, the case manager for adoption subsidy will be from the county of the most recently placed child.
- F. If the adoptive parent(s) or legal guardian(s) move to another state while receiving an adoption or guardianship subsidy from Missouri, the county of the family's last residence in Missouri will be responsible for maintenance of the agreement and processing all payment authorizations for services included in the agreement.
- G. For families moving from another state, the family's county of residence will be responsible for all case activity.

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